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BLM Lifts Fire Restrictions and Reminds Public of Access

All fire restrictions on BLM-administered lands in Washington state are lifted, effective Saturday, October 13. Joe Buesing, District Manager at the Spokane office of Bureau of Land Management (BLM), says "Although the wet weather and cooler temperatures reduce the potential for fire, the public is reminded to always use caution when having campfires on public lands."

Buesing also reminds recreationists, hunters, and other public land users that some BLM-administered lands do not have public access due to intermingled private lands. It is unlawful to trespass on private lands to access public lands. Anyone wanting access across private land to reach public land must have permission from the private landowner.

For additional information, call the Spokane BLM office at 509/536-1200.